



The Daily Whip

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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Unlimited "One Minutes" Per Side	???

(209th Calendar Day of the Year – 68th Voting Day of the Year – 15 Voting Days until Target Adjournment)

**** MEMBERS ARE ADVISED THAT LATE VOTES ARE EXPECTED TONIGHT AND ARE ALSO LIKELY TOMORROW, SATURDAY.** Democratic Members are strongly urged to remain in Washington until the conclusion of the following legislative business: Minimum Wage Bill, Pension Conference Report, and an Estate Tax Bill. Close votes are possible. Please call the Democratic Whip's Office if there is any circumstance that may cause your Member to be absent.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

Votes are postponed until 3:00 p.m.

[H.Res. 958](#) - Martial Law Rule for same day consideration of: **[H.R. 2830](#)** – Pension Conference Report; an Estate Tax proposal; and a Minimum Wage Bill.

Possible consideration of **[H.R. 2830](#)** – Pension Conference Report (*Rep. Boehner – Education & the Workforce/Rep. Thomas - Ways & Means*) (*Subject to a Rule*)

Possible consideration of a Minimum Wage bill (*Subject to a Rule*). It is expected that the Republican bill will include "poison pills" to ensure that real minimum wage legislation is not enacted. Democrats are urged to oppose any minimum wage proposal that includes "poison pills."

Possible consideration of an Estate Tax bill (*Subject to a Rule*)

Postponed Votes:

- 1) **[H.Con.Res. 454](#)** - August adjournment resolution
- 2) **[H.Res. 844](#)** - Congratulating the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative on ten years of significant achievement in the search for an HIV/AIDS vaccine (*Rep. Engel – IR*)
- 3) **Conference Report on [S. 250](#)** - Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2005 (*Sen. Enzi - Education and the Workforce*)

Daily Quote...

"The House of Representatives should pass legislation to increase the federal minimum wage by \$2.10 – from \$5.15 to \$7.25 – without 'poison pills' and parliamentary maneuvers designed to prevent a \$2.10 increase from becoming law. . . . Recently 260 members of the House . . . showed their support for a 'clean' \$2.10 increase. There is no good reason for preventing a House vote on a straightforward \$2.10 increase in the minimum wage, which could then easily become law."

- AFL-CIO President John Sweeney, in a statement on Thursday

"I urge you to reject any proposal that raises the minimum wage by less than \$7.25 and/or is coupled with objectionable 'poison pills' such as association health plans, health savings accounts, carve outs from the Fair Labor Standards Act or egregious tax provisions."

- Chuck Loveless, Director of Legislation for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), in a letter to House Members on Thursday